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Group No.: 2633

Serial No.: 09/544,762 )

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For: RUGGED SHOCK RESISTANT )  
BLACKPLANE FOR EMBEDDED SYSTEMS )

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ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
WASHINGTON D C 20231

Dear Sir/Madam:

In response to the initial office action mailed November 27, 2001 in relation to the above-identified patent application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the following Claims:

Sub 1. (Amended) A shock-resistant system for operatively  
interconnecting circuit cards within a computer system to enable  
data to be transmitted and received therebetween comprising: